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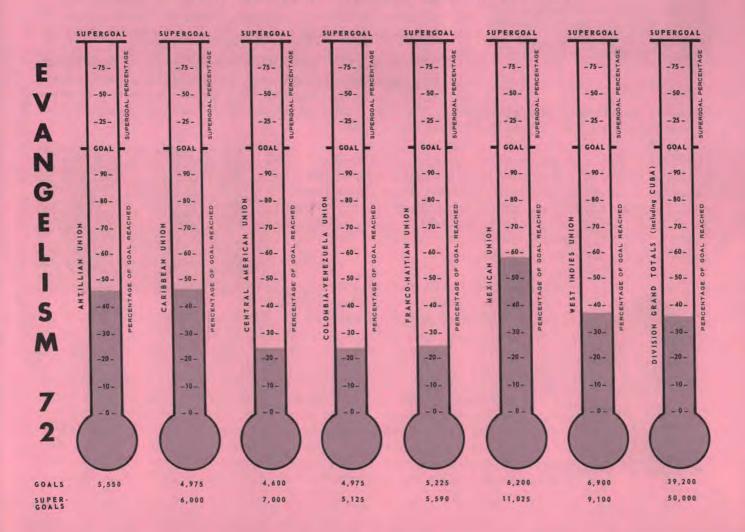
EVANGELISM '72--Education and Evangelism '72 march together in the Franco-Haitian Elder Guy Valleray, union secretary of education, reports 188 school baptisms as of School Baptism Day, April 29. He also baptized 41 in the first baptism from his effort in Haiti, and reports 500 non-Adventists attending every night at his evangelisting meetings at Ker Lys church in Martinique .-- C. R. Taylor.

*Jaime Cruz, theology instructor at Montemorelos College, is holding a series of meetings in San Luis Potosi, Mexico, June 11-August 12.

*Elder Luis Carlos, head of the theology department at Montemorelos College, will conduct an eight-week evangelistic crusade in Oaxaca, Southeast Mexico .-- Dora Reed.

*Prof. Arcadio Gonzalez is holding a campaign at Coatzacoalcos, Veracruz, Mexico. Prior to this a VOP graduation was conducted during which 600 Bible students were awarded certificates. Both events received good coverage from the local press .-- D.G. y Poyato.

PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 1972



FIRST ANTILLIAN CENTURION RETREAT--The union Ministerial Association conducted the first centurion retreat for workers who in 1971 baptized 100 or more souls. The meetings held May 2-4 at Hotel Guajataca in Puerto Rico, were attended by Elders Rafael Perez, Eligio Contreras, Danilo Rodriguez and Diogenes Suero of the Central Dominican Conference; Juan Melendez and Pedro Lopez of East Puerto Rico, and Hector Acosta of the North Dominican Mission.--Hector J. Brignoni.



STEWARDSHIP SEMINAR--For the first time in Mexico, IAD stewardship secretary G. E. Smith held a seminar in Villahermosa, Southeast Mexico. Eleven workers and 70 church stewardship secretaries attended the meetings, and more than 50 dele-



gates received certificates. The Copainala (left), and Pichucalco (right), churches in the South Mission, hosted stewardship councils conducted by division stewardship secretary G. E. Smith.--Guillermo Krieghoff.



SPECIAL PROJECT--Brother Petronilo Romero (portrayed with his wife), is a consecrated layman who speaks English, Spanish and two dialects of the region. He started to work on April 1 in Punta Gorda, Toledo district, in British Honduras. It is hoped that as a result of his efforts many souls will accept Jesus as their personal Saviour. -- James Kaine.

MISSIONARY MAILMEN GRADUATE--Recently 94 missionary mailmen received certificates at Monterrey, North-Mexico, after being instructed in a ten-hour course by union

Radio-TV Department secretary D. G. Poyato. Each mailman set a personal goal of five VOP students to take care in 1972.--Ramon Gomez.

TEMPERANCE RALLY--The West Puerto Rico Conference staged a temperance rally attended by all church temperance secretaries and district pastors. Meetings were presided over by IAD temperance secretary Marcel Abel (center), Antillian Union temperance secretary Oscar Gonzalez (left), and conference temperance secretary Pablo Ayala (right).--Claudio N. Ingleton.





DEATH--Mrs. Mercedes Santamaria Gil, wife of Mexican Union treasurer Enri-

que Gil Galvez, was born January 11, 1939 and died June 4, 1972, a few days after undergoing brain surgery at the British Hospital in Mexico City. At the time of her death Mrs. Gil was treasurer of the Mexican Credit Union and organist at the Narvarte church. She is survived by her husband, five small children--Alejandro, Angelica, Adalberto, Adriana and Aracely--Her father Romualdo Santamaria, four brothers, and other relatives. Union president Velino Salazar and the writer offered words of comfort to the large number of relatives and friends who attended the services at the Narvarte church and later at the Spanish cemetery where she was laid to rest awaiting the resurrection of the just.--J. H. Figueroa.